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Local Self-Government

Report of the Inspector of Local Boards on the administration of the Madura Municipality.

* 604 *Q.*—Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether he will be pleased to lay on the table the report of the Inspector of Local Boards on the administration of the Madura municipality; and

(*b*) whether the Inspector of Local Boards specifically recommended that the Council should be superseded?

A.—(*a*) The relevant extracts from the report of the Inspector have already been placed at the disposal of the Press and hon. Members would have received copies.

(*b*) No.

Mr. SAMI VENKATACHALAM CHETTI:—" May I know, Sir, if the whole report of the Inspector cannot be published? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—" No, Sir."

Mr. SAMI VENKATACHALAM CHETTI:—" Is it because it is too voluminous? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—" That contains certain information and recommendations which the Government consider not in the public interest to lay on the table? "

Mr. SAMI VENKATACHALAM CHETTI:—" May I know, if the Inspector of Local Boards did not specifically recommend that the Council should be superseded, what alternative suggestions he has made? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—" I am sorry I cannot give that information."

Mr. SAMI VENKATACHALAM CHETTI:—" Did he say anything against the supersession? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—" I have answered that question already, Sir."

Mahazars for proclaiming as ' prohibition areas ' certain villages in the Anantapur district.

* 605 *Q.*—Mr. P. BAYAPPA REDDI: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that deputations representing the people of Tarimala and the adjoining 24 villages in Anantapur taluk, and of Peddavadugur and the adjoining 33 villages in Gooty taluk presented mahazars to him at Gooty on 8th February last when he visited the Anantapur district, praying that their villages might be declared as ' prohibition areas ' by closing all the toddy and arrack shops in their respective areas; and

(*b*) whether he went on inspection to some of the villages on that date?